## Notice of Public Hearing for Proposed Rulemaking Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

## Rules and Regulations for Child Care Learning Centers, Rule Chapter 591-1-1

Proposed Amendment of Rule 591-1-1-.09 Proposed Amendment of Rule 591-1-1-.16 Proposed Amendment of Rule 591-1-1-.31 Proposed Amendment of Rule 591-1-1-.33

## Rules and Regulations for Family Day Care Homes, Rule Chapter 290-2-3

Proposed Amendment of Rule 290-2-3-.03 Proposed Amendment of Rule 290-2-3-.04 Proposed Amendment of Rule 290-2-3-.07 Proposed Amendment of Rule 290-2-3-.21

Notice Date: July 8, 2019

Dear Sir or Madam:

Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning DECAL) proposes to amend Rule Chapter 591-1-1 in the *Rules and Regulations for Child Care Learning Centers* and Rule Chapter 290-2-3 in the *Rules and Regulations for Family Day Care Homes*.

DECAL proposes these changes to the aforementioned rules and regulations as deemed necessary to clarify and simplify the compliance and reporting requirements.

The proposed amendments and adoptions have been posted to Bright from the Start's website at <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/ProposedRevisions.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/ProposedRevisions.aspx</a>.

The proposed changes are being considered for adoption on a permanent basis, and Bright from the Start invites interested parties to comment on them. Interested parties may submit written comments by mail to 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive SE, Suite 754, East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334, by fax to 678-891-5643 or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:CCSRuleRevisions@decal.ga.gov">CCSRuleRevisions@decal.ga.gov</a>. To be considered, Bright from the Start must receive written comments on or before 5 p.m., August 14, 2019.

Interested parties who prefer to make <u>verbal comments</u> on the proposed rule changes may do so at a public hearing before the Board of Early Care and Learning. The public hearing will be held from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. at 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, East Tower 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Oak Room, Atlanta, Georgia 30334 on Thursday, August 15, 2019. Speakers should sign in to speak before

1 p.m. If no guest speakers arrive by 1:30 p.m., the board will resume its regular meeting. Comments made in writing will be given the same consideration as those that are made verbally.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing even if they choose not to make verbal comments regarding the rule amendment proposals.

We appreciate our partnership with you in meeting the early care and education needs of Georgia's children and families, and we value your expertise and experience as we refine the rules and regulations that ensure our children remain healthy and safe.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Commissioner for Child Care Services